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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:
Harry A. Dugger, III et al.

Application No.: 10/671,719

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For: BUCCAL, POLAR AND NON-POLAR
SPRAY CONTAINING ATROPINE

Examiner: M. Haghighatian

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND ELECTION OF SPECIES

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed February 6, 2006, Applicants hereby elect Group I, claims 1-10, 22-28, 40-62, 85-106, 129-136 and 143-166 for continued examination. With respect to the species election requirement, Applicants elect the following species: relaxing muscles in the gastrointestinal tract.

The Examiner has required restriction between Group I, claims 1-10, 22-28, 40-62, 85-106, 129-136 and 143-166, drawn to a propellant free composition; and Group II, claims 11-21, 29-40, 63-84, 107-128, 137-142 and 167-188, drawn to a composition containing a propellant. In addition, according to the Office Action, "claims 57-98 are

generic to a plurality of disclosed patentably distinct species comprising method of treating various disorders by using atropine as an active agent."

Applicants expressly reserve the right to file a divisional application directed to the non-elected claims.

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Respectfully submitted,

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